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### List of Delegates to the Semicentennial Celebration of the Kansas Academy of Science from Other Academies.

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- Connecticut Academy of Arts and Sciences: \*Prof. William L. Burdick, Ph. D., University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kan.
- National Academy of Science: Prof. Samuel W. Williston, M. D., Ph. D., Sc. D., University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.
- Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia: Prof. Samuel W. Williston, M. D., Ph. D., Sc. D., University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.
- New York Academy of Sciences: Dean H. von W. Schulte, M. D., Creighton University, Omaha, Neb.
- Torrey Botanical Club: \*Prof. Raymond J. Pool, Ph. D., University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Neb.
- Iowa Academy of Science: Prof. J. E. Todd, M. A., University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kan.
- Indiana Academy of Science: \*Prof. Mary T. Harman, Ph. D., Kansas State Agricultural College, Manhattan, Kan.
- Ohio Academy of Science: Prof. George E. Coghill, Ph. D., M. D., University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kan.
- Illinois Academy of Science: Prof. Samuel W. Williston, M. D., Ph. D., Sc. D., University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.
- South Dakota Academy of Science: Prof. T. E. McKinney, Ph. D., University of South Dakota, Vermilion, S. D.
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### Greetings to the Kansas Academy of Science upon the Occasion of the Semicentennial Celebration.

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#### THE AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

PHILADELPHIA, March 2, 1918.

*The Secretary of the Kansas Academy of Science, Lawrence, Kan.:*

SIR—I am instructed by The American Philosophical Society to express to the Kansas Academy of Science its cordial congratulations on the occasion of its semicentennial anniversary, and to express its regret that the distance renders it impracticable for a member of the society to be present and express them on its behalf.

I have the honor to be, my dear sir,

Your obedient servant,

I. MINIS HAYS, *Secretary.*

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\*Not present.

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE.

CAMBRIDGE, MASS., March 14, 1918.

*Secretary, Kansas Academy of Science, Lawrence, Kan.:*

On behalf of the American Academy of Arts and Science I have to acknowledge the courteous invitation of the Kansas Academy of Science to be represented by a delegate at its semicentennial anniversary. I regret that it has proved impracticable to arrange for such representation. The Academy hereby tenders congratulations and best wishes.

H. W. TYLER, *Corresponding Secretary.*

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THE CONNECTICUT ACADEMY OF ARTS AND SCIENCES.

Represented by Prof. William L. Burdick, Ph. D.

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THE ACADEMY OF NATURAL SCIENCES OF PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, March 4, 1918.

*To the Secretary, Kansas Academy of Science, Lawrence, Kan.:*

The Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia acknowledges with appreciation the invitation of the Kansas Academy of Science, and begs to extend its congratulations on past accomplishments and felicitations upon future promise of the Kansas Academy.

If possible a delegate will be sent to the meeting.

On behalf of this Academy, I have the honor to be,

Yours most respectfully,

J. PERCY MOORE,

*Corresponding Secretary.*

The delegate sent was Prof. Samuel W. Williston, Ph. D., M. D., Sc. D.

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NEW YORK ACADEMY OF SCIENCES.

Represented by Dean H. von W. Schulte, M. D., Creighton University, Omaha.

*Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen:* It is with great pleasure that I am here to bring you the greetings and congratulations of the celebration. It is but a short time since the New York academy has observed its hundredth anniversary simply and quietly, but with high resolve as benefits these critical years of war, and the good will and best wishes of its members go forth to you with more than ordinary feeling, not merely as to a like-minded body of scientific men, but even more as to an agency in the service of our country in the time of trial. Both societies have given of their membership largely to the national cause; many are in active service, many engaged in special work. It is important that those who cannot from various causes render such direct service, to remember that upon them also devolve important duties. For we are not alone engaged in suppressing an abominable attack upon culture and civilization; it is also incumbent upon us to demonstrate the superiority of democracy in every field of human endeavor. Those of us who believe that the sciences are at the very root of national prosperity and human progress must prove ourselves no sluggards now. Our universities, our colleges and the community at large, have given the young and strong, the promise of a whole generation, to this great struggle.

It is more than ever important that those who continue in their wonted work should realize that they are set apart to see that the great structure of our educational system sustain no detriment so that increased zeal and devotion may compensate for diminished numbers in the maintenance of our institutions and the prosecution of scientific advance. It is well, therefore, that societies such as the Kansas Academy of Science, with long records of achievements in the service of the state, should gather and meet together, to draw inspiration from the past and courage for the work in hand. In the name of the New York Academy of Sciences, I greet you and bid you God-speed.

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#### TORREY BOTANICAL CLUB.

Represented by Prof. Raymond J. Pool, Ph. D., University of Nebraska, Lincoln.

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#### NATIONAL ACADEMY OF SCIENCES.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 7, 1918.

*The Secretary, The Kansas Academy of Science, Lawrence, Kan.:*

DEAR SIR—The National Academy of Science congratulates the Kansas Academy of Science upon arriving at the semicentennial anniversary of its existence and desires to express hope that the results of research work of its members in the future will be even greater than those which have already become a part of the scientific history of Kansas.

It is regretted that the National Academy of Science is unable to accept the invitation of the Kansas Academy of Science to send a delegate, on account of the war conditions and the necessity for so many of its members to be on active duty in connection with war service.

Very respectfully yours,

ARTHUR L. DAY, *Home Secretary.*

The academy was represented by Prof. Samuel W. Williston, M. D., Ph. D., Sc. D., University of Chicago.

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#### PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY OF WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 7, 1918.

*The Secretary, Kansas Academy of Science, Lawrence, Kan.:*

DEAR SIR—The Philosophical Society of Washington has received the notice of the semicentennial anniversary meeting of the Kansas Academy of Science, and the invitation to send a delegate to this meeting.

The Philosophical Society, through its general committee, wishes to extend congratulations to the Academy and to wish it a long continuation of its useful career. I regret to say, however, that the Society will be unable to send a delegate.

Very truly yours,

E. C. CRITTENDON,  
*Corresponding Secretary.*

COLORADO SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

DENVER, COLO., February 26, 1918.

*Secretary, Kansas Academy of Science, Lawrence, Kan.:*

MY DEAR SIR—I desire to acknowledge, on behalf of the Colorado Scientific Society, your very kind invitation to send a delegate to Lawrence to represent our Society in the semicentennial anniversary of the Kansas Academy of Science. If it is at all possible for me to do this I will do so; and meanwhile I desire to congratulate your Society, on behalf of the Colorado Scientific Society, and to wish you every success in your meeting and the advancement of science in your state.

Very sincerely yours, R. B. MOORE, *President.*

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ELISHA MITCHELL SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY.

CHAPEL HILL, N. C., March 8, 1918.

The Elisha Mitchell Scientific Society appreciates the kind invitation to be present at the semicentennial anniversary of the Kansas Academy of Science but finds it impossible to send a delegate.

With greetings and best wishes,

THE ELISHA MITCHELL SCIENTIFIC SOCIETY,  
FRANCIS P. VENABLE, *Secretary.*

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IOWA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE.

Represented by Prof. J. E. Todd, A. M., University of Kansas, Lawrence.

*To the Members of the Kansas Academy of Science:*

I come to your semicentennial celebration as delegate from the Iowa Academy of Science, of which I was a charter member and for many years a corresponding member.

I bring you the hearty congratulations of your sister society. Our two societies have several things in common. Some of our former members have from time to time become identified with you, as Doctors Patrick and Haworth, and others. We are both in the Middle West, both in leading agricultural states with important mines in coal and lead with some gypsum. We can therefore appreciate more fully and value more accurately the scientific zeal, wisdom and efficiency indicated by the fact that you, in a considerably younger state, are preceding us by several years in celebrating your jubilee year.

We therefore cheerfully recognize this preëminence on your part, and will count ourselves fortunate if on our fiftieth year we find our published proceedings as varied and practical and our work as fully appreciated and supported by the state.

We congratulate you most sincerely.

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INDIANA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE.

Represented by Prof. Mary T. Harman, Ph. D., Kansas State Agricultural College, Manhattan, Kan.

MANHATTAN, KAN., March 14, 1918.

*Mr. Guy West Wilson, Secretary Kansas Academy of Science, Lawrence, Kan.:*

MY DEAR MR. WILSON—I received word from the Indiana Academy of Science stating that I should be their official representative at the

fiftieth anniversary of the Kansas Academy of Science. I am very sorry to say that I cannot be there in person, largely owing to the illness of my mother, but, on behalf of the Indiana Academy of Science, I extend greetings to the Kansas Academy of Science, expressing the hope that it will continue to fill the place in the scientific world which it has done previously. Very sincerely yours, MARY T. HARMAN,

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## OHIO ACADEMY OF SCIENCES.

DELAWARE, OHIO, March 13, 1918.

*Secretary, Kansas Academy of Science, Lawrence, Kan.:*

Hearty congratulations from Ohio Academy to the Kansas Academy on the completion of your half century of service. We are asking Professor Coghill of your university and formerly one of our members to represent us. EDWARD L. RICE, *Secretary*.

Prof. George E. Coghill, Ph. D., M. D., University of Kansas, Lawrence, as delegate of the Ohio Academy of Sciences gave their greetings.

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## MICHIGAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCE.

KALAMAZOO, MICH., March 12, 1918.

*Secretary Kansas Academy of Science, Lawrence, Kan.:*

DEAR SIR—Replying to your kind invitation of February 5, which has just come to hand, I am sorry to state that it will not be possible for us to send a delegate to your semicentennial anniversary, though we should be only too happy to join you in your celebration were it possible.

May I take this opportunity to extend to the Kansas Academy greetings and best wishes from the Michigan Academy of Science and to wish you another half century of as equally valuable scientific work as stands to your credit for past labors. Kansas has given many splendid men to the field of science and I am sure that the Academy has been no small factor in this output.

Very cordially yours, LEROY H. HARVEY, *President*.

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## NORTH CAROLINA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE.

GREENSBORO, N. C., February 27, 1918.

The North Carolina Academy of Science offers hearty congratulations to the Kansas Academy on its semicentennial anniversary and sends best wishes for another fifty years of scientific endeavor and progress. The North Carolina Academy returns thanks for the invitation to attend this anniversary and regrets that distance makes it impossible for it to send a delegate. For the Academy, E. W. GUDGER, *Secretary*.

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## THE SOUTH DAKOTA ACADEMY OF SCIENCE.

Represented by Prof. T. E. McKinney, Ph. D., University of South Dakota, Vermilion, S. D.

MR PRESIDENT—Coöperation and organization are necessary to the rapid advancement of science. This truth finds expression in the existence of the scientific societies of the world; in none more certainly than in the state academies of science. Here are grouped the scientific workers of the state to contribute each according to his ability to the increase of

knowledge, with particular reference, perhaps, to that phase which at the time may be especially useful to the people of the commonwealth and helpful in its administration. In bearing greetings of good will from the South Dakota Academy of Science to the Kansas Academy of Science on this your semicentennial anniversary, permit me to mention the honorable part your Academy has had in the extension of the boundaries of knowledge and in making possible its useful application within your state. Further, your Society has been as a mother to many young and ambitious workers in science. With admiration for your achievements and a desire to emulate them in her first fifty years, the youngest of the state academies extends warmest greetings and best wishes for the future to the Kansas Academy, believing that despite her fullness of years she is but on the threshold of a long and honorable career, to be enriched by many discoveries of the highest order in science, conferring blessings on the people of your state and contributing much to the progress of civilization.

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#### SOCIEDAD CIENTIFICA "ANTONIO ALZATE."

MEXICO, 7 de Marzo de 1918.

*Sr. Secretario de la Kansas Academy of Science, Lawrence, Kan.:*

MUY SR. MIO—Esta Sociedad he recibido la atenta invitación de Ud. de fecha 15 de Febrero próximo pasado, para que se haga representar en la celebración del Quincuagésimo Aniversario de la fundacion de esa Academia, que tendrá lugar en la Universidad de Kansas los días 15 y 16 del presente.

En la imposibilidad de nombrar una persona que concurra a esa interesante ceremonia, debido a la premura del tiempo, la Sociedad se ve privada de esa honora, y hance votos sinceros y fervientes por la prosperidad y desarrollo de esa Academia.

Envío a Ud. Sr. Secretario en nombre de la Sociedad, sus calurosas felicitaciones, y me ofrezco su atento, afmo.

S. S.

R. AGUILAR, *Secretario.*

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#### DIRECTION DE ESTUDIOS BIOLOGICOS.

MEXICO, Marzo 7, 1918.

*Sr. Presidente de la Kansas Academy of Science, Lawrence, Kan.:*

Direction Estudios Biologicos dependiente de Secretaria Agricultura y Fomento acepta agradecida invitacion enviar deligado mitin efectuarase dias quince y diecise is actual para celebrar quincuagésimo aniversario fundacion esa Academia y ruega a usted dignese reprentarla atendamente. El Director de Estudios Biologicos, A. L. HERRERA.

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#### GREETINGS FROM ABSENT MEMBERS.

912 E. SAN MIGUEL ST.,

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO., March 14, 1918.

*To My Old-time Associates in the Kansas Academy of Science, and to All Fellow Members of the Academy, Greeting:*

I much regret that I cannot be with you on this most interesting and notable occasion, but I rejoice with you in the Academy's attainment of that mature age at which it can celebrate its fiftieth annual meeting.

The Academy may well feel proud of its achievements, not only in the quantity of its published work, and in the scientific collections and library it has built up, but also and especially in the stimulus immeasurable that

it has been to scientific research, both within and beyond the boundaries of Kansas.

As a life member of the Kansas Academy of Science, I am glad to report that I am still engaged in scientific research, although chiefly in geography and archeology as related to the early western history, on which I have, nearing completion, three volumes, whose rigorous pressure on my time and means has been the cause of my inability to attend this Academy meeting. But my heart is with you.

Last August, in Phoenix, I met the son and daughter of an early and beloved officer of the Academy, who gave me a most hearty welcome, simply because I had been in academic association with their lamented father, good old Doc Brown, of Leavenworth.

When shall we older members ever forget such men as Snow, Parker, Savage, Thompson, Popenoe, Dyche, Goss, Kellerman, Smyth, Meade, and other departed ones who used to keep the Academy pot boiling?

And who can measure the momentum given to the Academy by such men as Mudge? The latter I never saw, but I knew of him in '75-76, when receiving (under the friendly tutelage of Popenoe and the encouragement of Professors Merrill and Dunbar of Washburn College I "prep'd" in from '72) my first really scientific initiation into natural history, a love for which I had inherited from a Granite State sire of my name, a Dartmouth M. D., 1830—who had practiced medicine in Surinam from 1830 to 1857, being consul at Paramaribo *part* of that time, and sending creatures of all sorts thence nearly *all* of that time, to the Boston Society of Natural History.

And who can be grateful enough to Secretary Gray, of that board, for taking the Academy, in its downy days, under the sheltering wing of the Kansas State Board of Agriculture? Few of the "old guard" are left.

Long live the memory of these men, and as they are followed by zealous successors, *Long live the Kansas Academy of Science!*

Faternally yours,

FRANCIS W. CRAGIN.

ITHACA, N. Y., March 5, 1918.

Mr. Guy West Wilson, Secretary of the Kansas Academy of Science,  
Lawrence, Kan.:

DEAR SIR—It is a great regret that I shall be unable to attend the fiftieth annual meeting of the Kansas Academy. Pray extend my congratulations upon its semicentennial occasion to the members of the Academy, my active connection with which afforded me great pleasure during my residence as a member of the faculty of the State University.

Yours very truly,

EDW. L. NICHOLS.

MADISON, WIS., March 14, 1918.

Guy West Wilson, Lawrence, Kan.:

Extend my congratulations and best wishes to Academy on its fiftieth anniversary. Would enjoy being with you among old-time colleagues and friends, but duties in state war service make it impossible.

GEO. WAGNER.

TALLULAH, LA., March 13, 1918.

DEAR SIR—My congratulations for the fiftieth anniversary of the Academy! May it endure! Regretting that I cannot attend, I remain,

Sincerely,

E. S. TUCKER.